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For: METHOD, SYSTEM, AND APPARATUS FOR DETACHING AND COLLECTING AN IC TAG FROM A PAPER SHEET TO WHICH IT IS ATTACHED

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

By Official Action mailed October 17, 2008 restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 USC 121:

- I. **Group I, claim(s) 21-34, drawn to a method of detaching and collecting**
- II. **Group II, claim(s) 35-36, drawn to a system**
- III. **Group III, claim(s) 37-40, drawn to an apparatus**

In response, Applicants hereby elect **Group II, claims 35-36** for examination in this case.

Early examination on the merits is courteously solicited.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 07-1337 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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